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December 20, 1993

David and Mary Penney Penney's Gemstones P. O. Box 312 Beaver, Utah 85713

Re: Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations for Africa,
Black Spot, Tina's Web, and Little Spot Claims, S/027/024, Millard County, Utah.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Penney:

The Division has received, from the Bureau of Land Management Warm Springs Resource Area Office, your amended Notice of Intent to Commence Small Mining Operations on the Little Spot #2 Claim. The proposed mine is located in the E/2 of the SW/4, Section 22, Township 24S, Range 9W, SLBM, Millard County Utah.

The information the BLM sent us does not contain sufficient detail for us to determine that your application is complete under Rule R647-3-114. The following information is needed before the Division can accept your notice:

- A brief description of the proposed mining operation and onsite processing facilities;
- 2) A description of any new roads and/or improvements to any existing roads used to access claims under this notice; and
- Total mining related disturbed acreage for each *active* claim that currently exists under this notice that has not been reclaimed. This acreage includes, but is not limited to, any areas used for milling and processing, pits, highwalls, new or improved roads, and storage/stockpile areas.

Would you please complete the enclosed Notice of Intent to Commence Small Mining Operations (NOI) and include the above information in the spaces provided. Also enclosed is a topographic map of your project area. Please "highlight" the above referenced roads/access routes on this map and return with the completed NOI. Additionally, please outline on this map the above referenced mining related disturbances attributable to this notice and estimate



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the disturbed acreage for each claim.

The Division recommends prompt reclamation of an area after mining activity is complete. In this way, one can work several claims and stay within the five acre limit for a small mining operation. If your present total project acreage is near or above five acres, it is recommended you reclaim the land as soon as possible. If the five acre limit is exceeded and you fail to reclaim promptly, then it will be necessary to submit a Notice of Intent to Commence Large Mining Operations to this office and post a reclamation surety. Permitting a large mining operation is much more complex and time consuming than permitting a small mining operation. If possible, we encourage you to minimize your mining related disturbances to stay within your 5 acre limit.

It has come to our attention that we have not received your completed annual reports for the years of 1991 and 1992. Filing of these reports is required by Rules R647-003-116 and R647-004-121 of the Division's Amended and New Rules, Minerals Reclamation Program. Failure to file these reports in a timely manner may result in the issuance of a Notice of Non-Compliance. An annual report for the year of 1993 is enclosed. Please complete and return the enclosed annual reports for the years 1991, 1992 and 1993 by January 31, 1994. We will suspend further review of this amended notice until we receive your response to the other requested information.

In reply, please reference assigned project file number S/027/024. Thank you for your cooperation in these matters. Please contact me at 538-5340 if I can answer any questions you may have in this regard.

Sincerely,

Travis W. Jones

Reclamation Hydrologist

Minerals Reclamation Program

jb Enclosures cc: Rody Cox, BLM, Warm Springs RA S027024